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SUBJECT: WORLD CONFERENCE FOR ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID

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1. MFA TOLD EMBOFF THAT DANISH DELEGATES TO SUBJECT
CONFERENCE WILL BE:

A) MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO (WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, LISE ØSTERGAARD;

B) AMBASSADOR HENNING HALCK, DANISH AMBASSADOR TO LAGOS;

C) FIRST SECRETARY EIGIL PEDERSEN FROM THE DANISH UN MISSION;

D) SECTION CHIEF PALLE MARKER FROM THE ECONOMIC/
FINANCIAL SIDE OF THE MFA;
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E) AN AS-YET-UNNAMED PERSON TO SERVE AS "ADVISER"
TO THE DELEGATION, PROBABLY FROM THE
DANISH AID ORGANIZATION, DANIDA.

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2. COMMENT: A PROFESSOR OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY WITH NO PRIOR POLITICIAN OR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE, OSTERGAARD (AGE 52) WAS THE SURPRISE APPOINTMENT IN A GOVERNMENT RESHUFFLE EARLY THIS YEAR. HARDWORKING AND GRACIOUS, SHE RECEIVES AD HOC ASSIGNMENTS FROM FOREIGN MINISTER K.B. ANDERSEN IN SUCH FIELDS AS HUMAN RIGHTS AND ASPECTS OF DANISH AFRICAN AND SOUTH EAST ASIAN POLICY. SHE WILL ALSO HEAD A NEW DISARMAMENT OFFICE IN THE MFA. SHE IS SINCERE AND GENERALLY WELL-DISPOSED TOWARD THE U.S., BUT TENDS TO ROMANTICIZE AND OVER-SIMPLIFY THIRD WORLD PROBLEMS AND ASPIRATIONS.

3. THE DANISH DELEGATION CAN BE EXPECTED TO BE AMONG THE WESTERN EUROPEANS LEADER IN BACKING INCREASED ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL PRESSURES ON SOUTH AFRICA.

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